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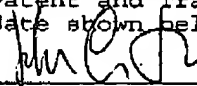
The records of the Patent and Trademark Office show that this application has been accorded a Section 371(c) date of February 15, 2002. It is requested that the records of the Patent and Trademark Office should be corrected to reflect a Section 371(c) date of January 4, 2002

The reply to the notification of missing requirements filed February 15, 2002 included a copy of a submission that had previously been filed on January 4, 2002 and included a declaration signed by the inventors and identifying the application by International application number and filing date. The surcharge under 37 CFR 1.492(e) was included in a check that was submitted on November 29, 2001. Accordingly, applicant submits that all requirement under 35 USC 371(c) had been met by January 4, 2002 and requests that the records of the Patent and Trademark Office be updated to reflect a Section 371(c) date of January 4, 2002.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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